

Skyline community drinks clean water as the Corps completes replacement well construction



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SEATTLE - Residents of Skyline community, near Moses Lake in Grant County, have clean well water for the first time in years. On Aug. 11, the Seattle District of the Army Corps of Engineers completed construction of a well to replace the existing contaminated well.

After testing and adapting well operations to local community needs, the owner and operator of the well, Mr. Greg Vehrs, announced that the replacement well was in full operation on Oct. 30.

For years, Skyline community drank bottled water supplied by the Port of Moses Lake and the Corps because the public water supply had been contaminated by past exposure to TCE--trichloroethylene--a common degreaser used at the nearby airfield. The new water supply eliminates that contamination and meets requirements of Washington State Department of Health. The contract for delivery of bottled drinking water will run through the end of December.